Coverage of assembly proceedings

2456. DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Madras Doordarshan covered the Assembly Proceedings on Thursday, the 28th January, 1988;

(b) whether the Madras Doordarshan had obtained permission to enter the Madras Assembly and cover the proceedings;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Tamil Nadu Speaker had issued notice to the Director of the Madras Doordarshan for covering the Assembly proceedings; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) to (d) Doordarshan Kendra, Madras reported as dry news in its news bulletin the proceedings of the Tamil Nadu Assembly on January 28, 1988. No permission was sought to film the proceedings because Doordarshan does not cover visually assembly proceedings. The Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Speaker of the Assembly wrote to the Director, Doordarshan Kendra on January 29, 1988 desiring to know how Doordarshan's representatives went inside the Assembly. The Director replied the same day that Doordarshan representatives did not enter the Assembly Hall, and visuals were recorded only outside the Assembly.

Development programmes in Rajasthan

2457. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of developmental programmes launched by the Central Government for the welfare of tribals in Rajasthan; and

(b) the achievements of these programmes during the last three years?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): (a) The developmental programmes executed for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes in the State of Rajasthan include provision of drinking water, education, health, irrigation, credit and marketing, soil conservation, cottage and small industries, horticulture, dairy development and other schemes under poverty alleviation programmes like IRDP, NREP and RLEGP.

(b) The number of families economically assisted through the developmental programmes during the last three years of 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1987-88 (upto February) are 61,726, 86,616 and 83,773 respectively.

Aid to voluntary labour welfare organisations in Rajasthan

2458. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are granting aid to voluntary organisations for welfare of labourers in Rajasthan;

(b) whether the accounts of these organisations are got audited;

(c) whether some irregularities have been detected in the working of these organisations; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Government have been rendering financial assistance by way of grants-in-aid to voluntary organisations for taking up action oriented projects aimed at benefitting child and women labour. Financial assistance for one such project on women labour is being granted to a voluntary organisation in